



Mr. Ben Harris

August 7, 1931 - August 8, 2015

Benny "Ben" Gene Harris, 84, of Henderson, left this world for eternal life with his Heavenly Father on Saturday, August 8, 2015. Ben was a well-loved and respected man of many talents. As craftsman, gardener, poet, author, and biblical teacher, he freely shared his talents with others who were fortunate enough to get to meet him. In partnership with his wife Johnnie, his adventures included farming, home construction, and ski lodge proprietor of Thunderbird Ski Lodge in Ruidoso, New Mexico. He later worked for Henderson ISD before retiring in 1987. Ben touched the lives of countless people through his studying and teaching of Christ, Eldership for the Church of Christ, and devotion as a loving husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather.

While in heaven, Ben will anxiously await the arrival of his wife of 66 years, Johnnie Faye Harris; son, Dicky Harris; daughter, Darla Hooks and husband Paul; grandchildren, Kevin Harris and wife Debbie, Ryan Harris and wife Hannah, April Hilyard and husband Shane, Jeff McKnight and wife Tara, and Logan Harris and wife Myra; and twelve great-grandchildren, Isabella, Elijah, and Joseph Ben Harris, Ally Harris, Claire and Dalton Hilyard, Ella, Emma, and Anna McKnight, and Decklan, Keegan, and Landon Harris.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Lester and Lena Harris; his brother, Wayne Harris; his sister, Marlene Buckner; and his daughter-in-law, Glenda

Harris.

Funeral services to celebrate his life will be held on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at 2:00 p.m., at Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home chapel in Henderson with Brother Leroy Sedgwick and Brother Buddy Bankhead officiating. Visitation is scheduled for Monday, August 10, 2015 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

Pallbearers are Kevin Harris, Ryan Harris, Logan Harris, Shane Hilyard, Mike Armstrong, and Jeff McKnight.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of East Texas, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, Tx, 75701.

Condolences may be made online at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery Details

Neeley Cemetery

FM 839

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **10**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home
1414 S. Main St
Henderson, TX 75654

Service

AUG **11**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Ben Harris*



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - August 10, 2015 at 03:18 PM

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Heartfelt memories and prayers for the family of Ben. He was a great guy and will be missed by many.

Bill and Edith Armstrong - August 10, 2015 at 06:10 PM



“ *45 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - August 10, 2015 at 02:45 PM

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“ Oh, Mr. Ben, how I love your way of teasing people. You'll have all in heaven chuckling! Such fun memories! Sending sincerely sympathy to your family. We'll all see you later. Love you! Karen

Karen Doss - August 10, 2015 at 11:15 AM

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“ My heartfelt prayers for Ben's family on the loss of one of the strongest Christians I have ever met. I enjoyed working with Ben in the HISD for many years. His gentle way and love and care for other people will be missed. Speak and share stories of Ben often. In Heaven there is rest. God Bless

Ray Deason - August 10, 2015 at 07:25 AM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all as you say goodbye to Ben.

Sara (Sneed) Street - August 09, 2015 at 09:45 PM